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National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determination for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "X" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and area of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900A). Use typewriter, word processor or computer to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Olympic National Park Headquarters Historic District

other name/site number _____

2. Location

street & number 600 E. Park Avenue

not for publication

city or town Port Angeles

vicinity

state Washington

code WA

county Clallam

code 009

zip code 98362

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title

Date

State of Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title

Date

State of Federal agency and bureau

WASHINGTON STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the property is:

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

entered in the National Register.
____ See continuation sheet.

determined eligible for the National Register.
____ See continuation sheet.

determined not eligible for the National Register.

removed from the National Register.

other, (explain:)

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5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)	Category of Property (Check only one box)	Number of Resources within Property (Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)		
		Contributing	Noncontributing	
<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)			
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district	6	10	buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site			sites
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	6		structures
	<input type="checkbox"/> object			objects
		12	10	Total

Name of related multiple property listing
 (Enter N/A if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

**Number of contributing resources previously listed
 in the National Register**

Historic Resources of Olympic National Park

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions
 (Enter categories from instructions)

Current Functions
 (Enter categories from instructions)

Administration

Administration

7. Description

Architectural Classification
 (Enter categories from instructions)

Materials
 (Enter categories from instructions)

OTHER: Rustic (late)

foundation Concrete
 walls Wood/Stone
 roof Wood Shake
 other Steel

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

Summary: The Park Headquarters Historic District is comprised of 6 contributing buildings, 6 contributing structures (light standards), compatible buildings, and some small-scale and landscape features, set within a clearing on a slope overlooking the city of Port Angeles. The buildings are of various shapes and sizes, built of masonry and wood construction, and many with shake-covered gable roofs. The buildings are in good condition and continue to function much as they did historically. All 6 buildings and 6 light standards are basically intact and appear much the same as they did after their construction in the 1940s by the National Park Service. The complex is a fine example of two property types identified in the Multiple Property Documentation form for the Historic Resources of Olympic National Park: Government (National Park Service) and Architecture (Rustic). The buildings within the headquarters complex have undergone only minor changes over the years and modern additions to the district have been compatible and do not detract from the historical or architectural significance of the historic district. The district has integrity of location, setting, design, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association, and meets the registration requirements set forth in the Multiple Property Documentation form.

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B** Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C** Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D** Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

Criterion A: Politics/Government

Criterion C: Architecture

Period of Significance

circa 1940's

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A** owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B** removed from its original location.
- C** a birthplace or grave
- D** a cemetery.
- E** a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F** a commemorative property.
- G** less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Significant Dates

circa 1940 - 1941

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above.)

Cultural Affiliation

Architect/Builder

National Park Service

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67)
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey #
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record #

Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State Agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of Repository:

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property: Approximately 34 acres

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

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	zone	easting	northing		zone	easting	northing
2	10	468200	5327500	4	10	467700	5327200

____ See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

See continuation sheet

Boundary Justification

See continuation sheet

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Gail E.H. Evans, Historian / Stephanie Toothman, Regional Historian(1986), Gretchen Luxenberg, Historian (1998), Kirstie L. Haertel, Archeologist (1999), and Jacilee Wray Anthropologist (2005).

organization National Park Service, Columbia Cascade Support Office date 1986/1998

street & number 909 1st Avenue telephone (206) 220-4138

city or town Seattle State Washington zip code 98104-1060

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

- A 7.5 minute USGS map indicating the property's location.
- A sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional Items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items.)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name

street & number telephone

city or town state zip code

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement: This information is being collected for applications to the National Register of Historic Places to nominate properties for listing or determine eligibility for listing, to list properties, and to amend existing listings. Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 470 *et seq.*).

Estimated Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 18.1 hours per response including time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form to the Chief, Administrative Services Division, National Park Service, P.O. Box 37127, Washington, DC 20013-7127; and the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reductions Projects (1024-0018), Washington, DC 20503.

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Narrative Description: The Park Headquarters Historic District was built between 1940 and 1941. It is distinctive for its use of native building materials applied in a modern (late) interpretation of the Rustic style of architecture. A hallmark of the style is the use of local, natural materials applied in a manner so the building fits into the landscape. That, in conjunction with careful siting of the building in the landscape and adding plant materials so the structure appears to "grow" out of the ground, are the basic tenets and philosophy of the Rustic style.

The construction of the park headquarters complex was well-documented in the Port Angeles, Washington community in which the buildings were to be located. It was noted in the Port Angeles Evening News that native materials were used as much as possible in the administration building and custodian's (superintendent's) residence. CCC crews quarried stone from nearby Tumwater Creek for use in these buildings and along the walkways connecting the two structures. Exterior siding used on the upper portion of the buildings was of locally cut shakes. Plants native to the area, including more than 200 rhododendrons and dozens of vine maple, dogwood, mock orange, red flowering currant, broad leaf maple, sword ferns, and cattails, were secured locally for landscaping. PWA and CCC work crews planted this assortment of greenery around the administration building, the superintendent's house, the parking areas, along the edges of the lawn areas, and around a pond created in a natural basin southwest of the headquarters building (filled, now lawn). By the end of June, 1940, Park Superintendent Preston Macy determined that the buildings were nearly three-quarters completed, but the original PWA funding allocation had been exhausted.

Additional funds were forthcoming and the two buildings were ready for occupancy by October 1940. Two other buildings in the complex, the gas and oil house and the transformer vault and pump house, were substantially completed in late 1940. The following year the equipment shed/carpenter shop was nearly finished. In June 1941 the sixth and final building constructed as part of the original headquarters complex--the equipment and supply storage building--was begun using money allocated from the CCC program. When the CCC program was abandoned soon afterward, only the east end (constructed of stone) and the center garage stall of the building (later known as the warehouse and fire cache) were near completion. In June 1944 additional funds were provided for the completion of the west end of the building; in 1965 fire destroyed this section. Today, the general landscaping, the low, stone light standards and the exterior of the original six buildings in the complex are substantially intact, with the exception of the west portion of the Equipment and Supply Storage Building.

The Administration Building is rectangular in shape, measuring 46' 6" x 87', 6-bays wide, and is 2-stories in height. It is of masonry and wood-frame construction, with coursed stone and mortar walls on the ground floor and wood shakes on the upper floor. The building is set on a concrete foundation and has a daylight basement. The gable roof is sheathed in wood shakes and has slightly extended eaves, which expose purlins and rafters. The windows are a combination of pairs and triples of steel casement sash, the pairs with fixed transoms above. A coursed stone chimney is located in the central portion of the building. The administration building is sited about 75' from the south side of Park Avenue and is accessed by a circular drive with the main parking area behind the structure. Lush landscaping including lawn, native plantings and large, old trees grace the grounds of

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the historic building. No exterior alterations have occurred to this building. The building continues to function as it did historically, housing the offices of the park superintendent, the assistant superintendent, and the park's administrative division.

Six coursed stone light fixtures/standards designed to appear as though they were natural rocks in the ground, once lit the paths between the Administration Building and others in the complex; these are still in existence although not used as lighting devices. No alterations have occurred to these structures.

The Custodian's (Superintendent's) Residence is an irregularly-shaped structure with 1800 square feet on the first floor, and 827 square feet on the second. It is a 2-story building set on a concrete foundation with a daylight basement. Built of masonry and wood-frame construction, the lower floor has coursed stone and mortar exterior walls with wood shakes above to match the nearby Administration Building. The gable roof, sheathed in wood shakes, has slightly extended eaves with exposed rafters. The windows are pairs of steel casement sash with fixed transoms above. A 1-story attached garage with gable roof and wood shake siding is on the residence's east end (now office space). Notable features include a raised stone terrace across the main (north) facade, stone steps leading to the house, and mature landscaping and lawn around the building to soften its presence on the ground. No exterior alterations have occurred to this building. The building served continuously as the park superintendent's residence until the early 1980s, when it was converted into offices for the Natural Resource Management division.

The Gas and Oil House Building is located in the cluster of maintenance (vs. residential and administration) buildings comprising the historic district. It is rectangular in shape, measuring 16' x 18' with a 14' x 16' extension on the building's east façade creating a porte-cochere supported by heavy, hewn timbers set on stone. The structure is 1-story with masonry wall construction set on a concrete foundation. Coursed stone and mortar walls and a wood-shaked gable roof with exposed rafters and purlins provide architectural continuity with the other buildings in the district. Wood shakes cover the gable end of the porte-cochere. The windows are double-hung and casement sash. A loading platform is made of concrete with coursed stone on the perimeter base. Sited in the utility area of the complex, the building is in an open, paved zone that had been carved out of the dense woods to the southeast of the Administration Building. No alterations have occurred to this structure. The building continues to function as it did historically, serving as storage for automotive supplies.

The Transformer Vault and Pump house was originally the physical plant for the complex and is now unused. It is rectangular in shape, measuring 24' x 19' and is 1-story. Built of masonry wall construction with coursed stone and mortar walls, the building is very rustic-looking in its physical appearance and siting within the heavily forested area about 100 feet south of the Administration Building. The gable roof, sheathed in wood shakes, has slightly extended eaves and exposed rafter and purlins. The windows are 1-over-1, double-hung sash. The entry is centered and is a heavy, wide wooden door. No alterations have occurred to this structure. The building's intended function was to provide housing for a transformer and pump, installed for fire protection. As of 1982, the building was decommissioned and is now used for storage. A stone walkway was recently discovered under the soil here that once led around the perimeter of the headquarters complex.

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The Equipment Shed/Carpenter Shop is a rectangular building measuring 112' x 32'. It is 1-story, built of masonry and frame wall construction, set on a stone and concrete foundation. The roof has a saltbox shape, is sheathed in wood shakes, and has slightly extended eaves exposing beveled purlins on the gable ends and rafters elsewhere. Four, wide garage openings are present on the south (main) facade. Vertical boards cover the gable ends of the structure above the windows, and the north facade is covered in board and batten. Vertical boards also enclose what may have been open, storage bays when the building was converted from storing the park's heavy equipment to office/storage space. Windows are recessed, double-hung, 6-over-6, sash. Despite these changes, this structure is compatible in its style and building materials with the other historic buildings in the complex and is a contributing element of the district.

The Equipment and Supply Storage Building is located within the utility area of the district. It is rectangular, measuring 199' x 32', is 1-story in height and set on a stone and concrete foundation. Built of masonry and frame wall construction, it has coursed stone and mortar on its east end which dates from 1941. Vertical wood paneling is on the exterior of the other walls. The gable roof, sheathed in wood shakes, has slightly extended eaves. As originally constructed, this building was 200' long and 32' wide. In 1965 the wood-frame portion of the building was destroyed by a fire, leaving the stone section intact. Two years later the wood-frame portion was rebuilt on its original location following the original building design. This new building, measuring about 199' x 32' was completed in 1970. In 1983-84, a small wood-frame addition was completed on the west end of the building to house much-needed office space. Although alterations have occurred, the structure is compatible in its style and building materials with the other historic buildings in the complex and is an integral and contributing element of the historic district.

The Park Headquarters Historic District continues to exhibit the qualities of its original design and method of construction as built by the National Park Service as part of its efforts to establish a presence as the managing agency for the new national park. It is representative of the types of buildings and structures that were being built in national parks throughout the west. Using local, natural materials on buildings that were carefully sited on the landscape, the visual impact of the new structures was lessened by using appropriate paint colors (natural earth tones) and landscaping to soften the edges of the building. The complex of buildings stands out as a distinct example of wood-frame and stone construction in the Rustic Style of architecture. The district retains a high degree of integrity in its setting, design, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association, and exhibits the registration requirements identified in the Multiple Property Documentation form for the Historic Resources of Olympic National Park.

SEE ATTACHED INVENTORY CARDS PREPARED IN 1982 FOR PROPERTY.

Statement of Significance:

Summary: The Park Headquarters Historic District is significant for its association with politics and government (National Park Service) activities within Olympic National Park (criterion A). All six contributing buildings within the district relied heavily on the financial and labor assistance provided by President Franklin D. Roosevelt's New Deal PWA, WPA, and CCC Depression-era programs. The district also is an example of the distinctive type of architectural style, the Rustic style, utilized by the National Park Service in its early years of

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managing former national forest lands on the Olympic Peninsula (criterion C). Built in the 1940s, the six buildings comprising the historic district are representative of a modern version (late) of the Rustic style as applied to administrative facilities in the new national park. These buildings embody the characteristics of the Rustic philosophy of design but they have been applied in a modern way, taking advantage of modern building technologies and methods, while respecting and incorporating the tenets of the Rustic ethic. The complex exhibits a high degree of craftsmanship and is indicative of two property types identified in the Multiple Property Documentation form for the Historic Resources of Olympic National Park: Government (National Park Service); and Architecture (Rustic). The district has integrity of setting, design, workmanship, materials, feeling, and association, and meets the registration requirements set forth for these properties in the Multiple Property Documentation form.

Narrative: Soon after the creation of Olympic National Park in 1938, National Park Service administrators requested Public Works Administration (a Depression-era program) assistance. It was noted in an undated document that the construction of a headquarters unit was a top priority for National Park Service PWA project funds. This document noted that in order to protect and administer the newly established park, a headquarters facility was imperative. A site had been selected on Peabody Heights at Port Angeles, Washington, for its central location on the northern end of the Olympic Peninsula and its proximity to the park boundaries. A total of \$470,000 of PWA funds was recommended for allocation to the park, of which \$226,000 was earmarked for the headquarters unit. Olympic National Park was to be unique in that it would be the first park headquarters to be established outside park boundaries. By late September 1938, PWA funds were allocated to the park, and on October 17 the NPS regional director authorized the expenditure of funds. Authorization required that construction of the administration building and the custodian's (superintendent's) residence begin by December 1, the garage by December 10, and the warehouse by December 15 of 1938.

Delays ensued and a year passed before substantial work began at the park headquarters site. The federal government did not accept the property title to the 37-acre site until September 12 and did not receive final building plans and specifications until the October 1939.

Finally, work at the site began. The Port Angeles Evening News, a local paper, reported in October 1939 that clearing and rough grading were underway on Peabody Heights, and that excavation for the warehouse (the first building to be constructed) was to begin soon. Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) crews were assisting in the project, and acquiring stone from the Tumwater quarry for use in the headquarters complex. Construction work at the site under both the PWA and CCC proceeded slowly at first but by April 1940 the headquarters area was bustling with activity. Upwards of two hundred people were working on the complex during that year. Crews were doing everything from electrical work to landscaping.

By October 1940, both the Administration Building and the Custodian's Residence were ready for occupancy. Substantially completed by that fall were the Gas and Oil House and the Transformer Vault and Pump House. Construction on the last two buildings in the complex of the six original, the Equipment/Carpenter Shop and the Equipment and Supply Storage Building, were begun in 1941. Today, sixteen buildings and six structures are

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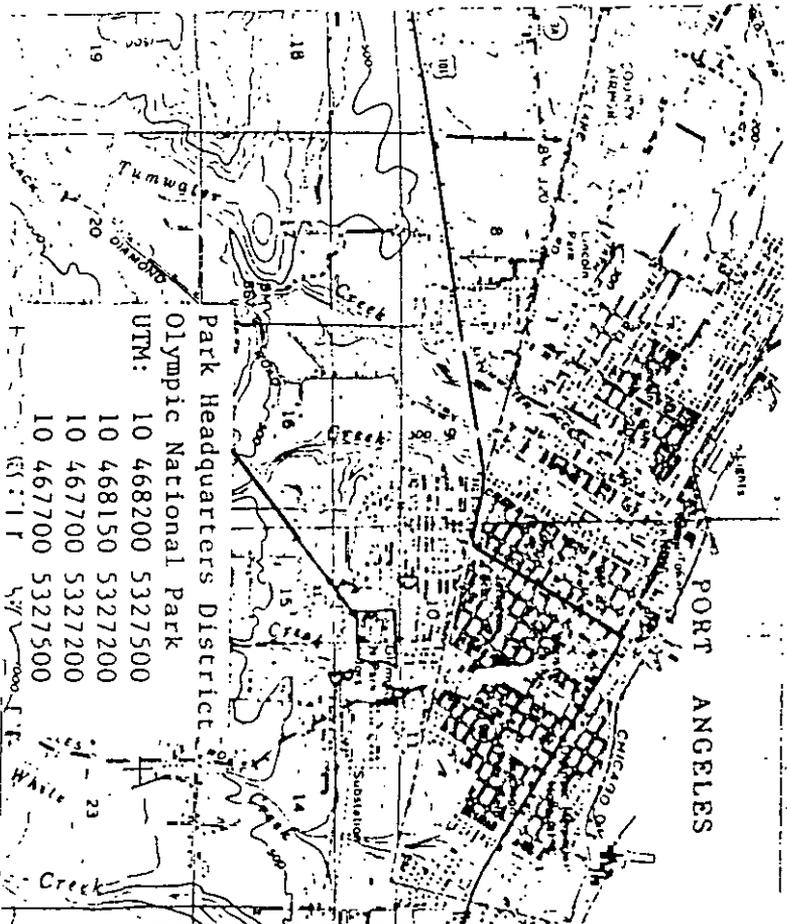
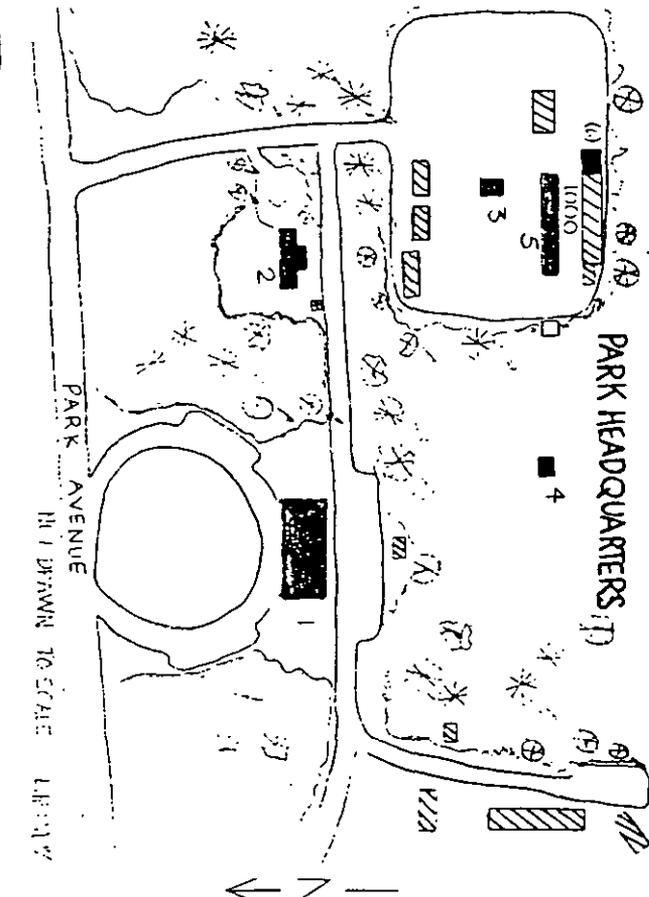
located within the boundaries of the historic district. The later buildings were built over the last three decades (up to the 1970s) and are wood-frame, gable roof buildings, primarily sided with wood paneling. They are compatible in size, roof pitch, color, and overall character with the six historic buildings (three of which are in the immediate area). A dense forest of mature evergreen trees separate individual and grouped buildings into defined administrative, residential, and maintenance areas of the district.

The historic district is a noteworthy example of a late period in the application of the Rustic Style of design that was popular for decades in the national forests and national parks, particularly in the western states (criterion C). The Park Headquarters Historic District exhibits a high degree of craftsmanship, and continues to reflect the values and philosophies of its builders in its architectural expression and use. The Park Headquarters Historic District is an example of two property types identified in the Multiple Property Documentation form for the Historic Resources of Olympic National Park: Government and Architecture. It retains a high degree of integrity in its location, setting, design, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association, and meets the registration requirements set forth in the Multiple Property Documentation form.

Bibliography: Evans, Gail. Historic Resource Study. NPS. 1983; draft, national register nomination, 1986.

Verbal Boundary Description: The boundary of the district is formed by the polygon whose vertices are noted by the above UTM references and are marked on the accompanying USGS map (Port Angeles, WA, 1:62,500). The district is bounded on the north by East Park Avenue, on the west by the National Park Service property line, on the south by an east-west line drawn approximately 50 feet south of the rear of the Equipment and Supply Storage Building, and on the east by the 300 foot contour line above the west bank of Peabody Creek.

Boundary Justification: The district includes the earliest park administrative structures, more recent but compatible buildings, adjoining landscaped grounds, the major roads and paths linking the principal buildings, and the immediately surrounding natural setting of the second growth forest which, since the construction of the park headquarters, was intended to represent the natural resources found in Olympic National Park. Although several structures in this building ensemble are relatively recent, all are contributing structures.



- CONTRIBUTING BUILDINGS
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19. PUBLIC ACCESSIBILITY YES, LIMITED YES, UNLIMITED UNKNOWN NO
 20 EXISTING SURVEYS NR NHL HABS HAER-1 HAER NPS STATE
 21 REFERENCES--HISTORICAL REFERENCES, PERSONAL CONTACTS, AND/OR OTHER COUNTY LOCAL OTHER

Evans, Gail E. H. with T. Allan Comp. 1983. Historic Resource Study: Olympic National Park. Seattle: National Park Service, Pacific Northwest Region.
 University of Washington, Seattle, Washington.
 1944. Memorandum from O. A. Tomlinson, Regional Director, to the Superintendent of Olympic National Park.
 Macy Papers, box 1-23. Archives and Manuscripts Section. Suzzallo Library.

Item 8: UTM

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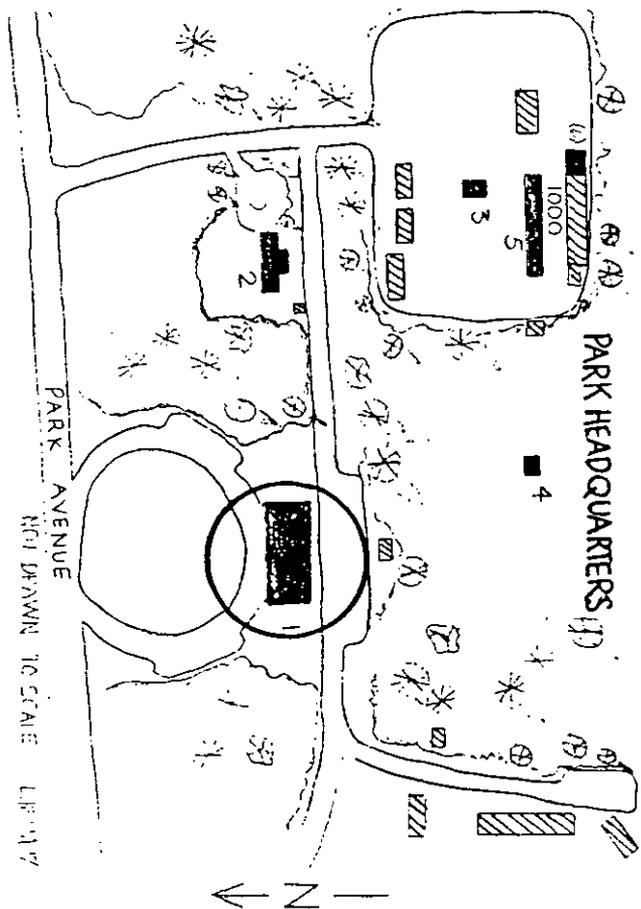
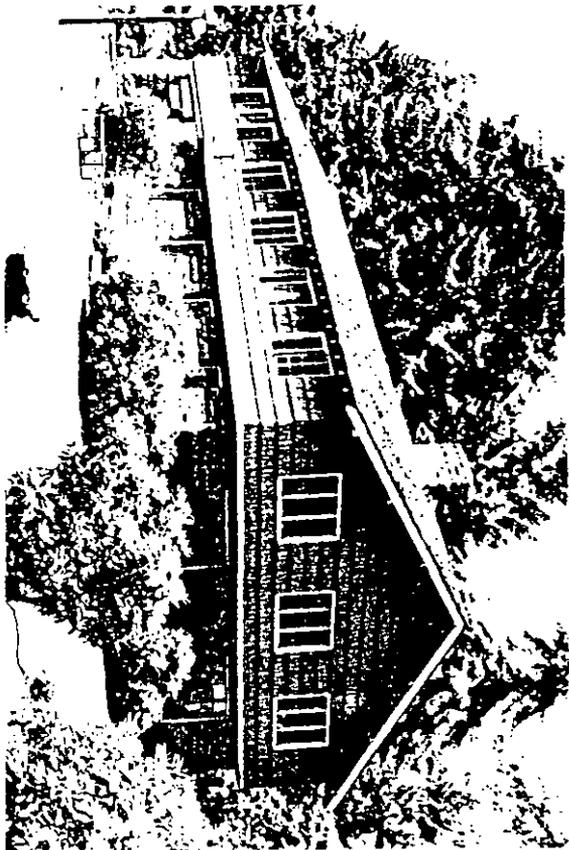
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19. PUBLIC ACCESSIBILITY YES, LIMITED YES, UNLIMITED
 NO UNKNOWN

21. REFERENCES—HISTORICAL REFERENCES, PERSONAL CONTACTS, AND/OR OTHER

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 COUNTY

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18. LOCATED IN AN HISTORIC DISTRICT? YES NO NAME _____

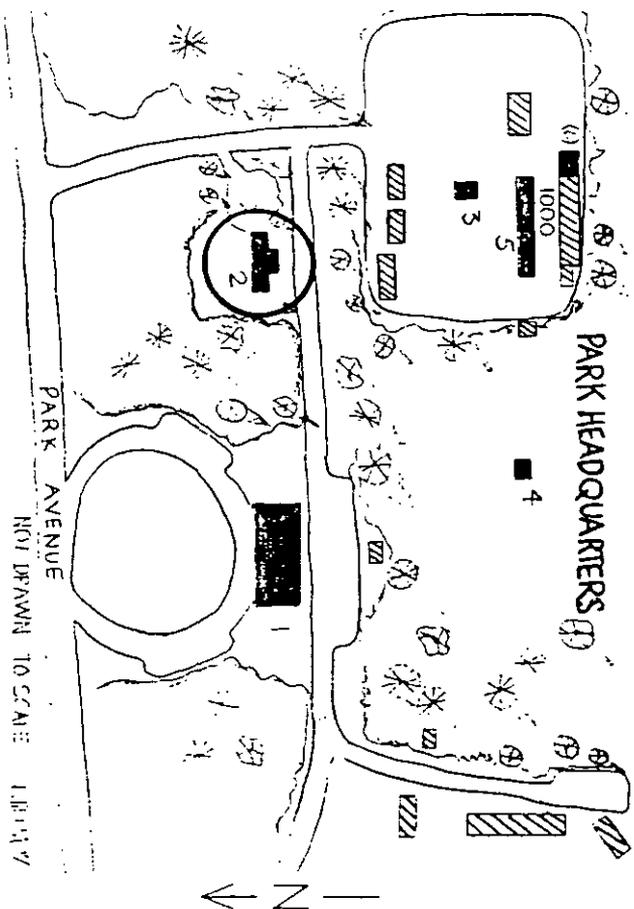
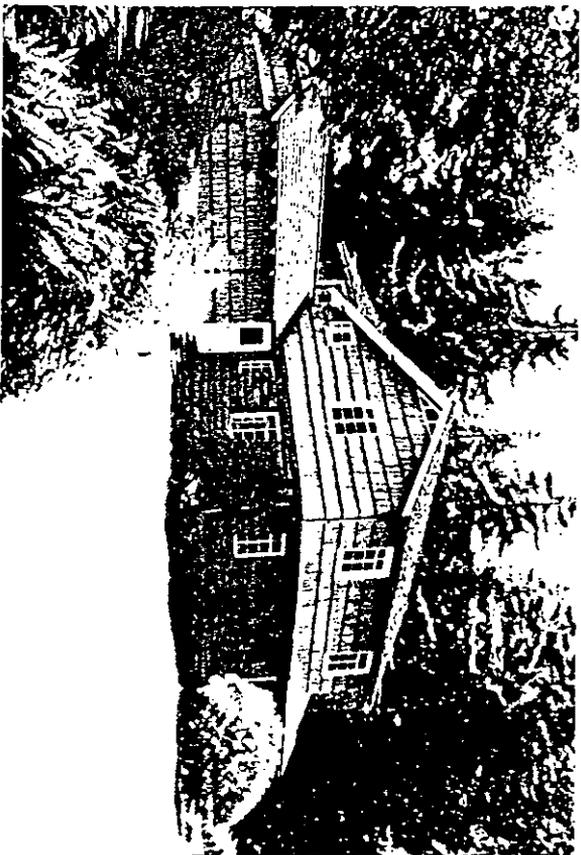
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21. REFERENCES—HISTORICAL REFERENCES, PERSONAL CONTACTS, AND/OR OTHER _____

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18 LOCATED IN AN HISTORIC DISTRICT? YES NO NAME _____

19 PUBLIC ACCESSIBILITY YES LIMITED YES UNLIMITED NO UNKNOWN

20 EXISTING SURVEYS NR NHL HABS HAER-1 HAER NPS STATE

21 REFERENCES--HISTORICAL REFERENCES: PERSONAL CONTACTS AND/OR OTHER

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PNRO INVENTORY

National Park Service
Pacific Northwest Region
Cultural Resources Division

Westin Building, Room 1920
2001 Sixth Avenue
Seattle, Washington 98121

1. SITE I.D. NO.		7. CLASSIFICATION		9. RATING	
2. NAME(S) OF STRUCTURE	3	5. ORIGINAL USE	Automotive	10. DATE	1940
GAS & OIL HOUSE BUILDING (Park Headquarters)		6. PRESENT USE	Automotive		
3. SITE ADDRESS (STREET & NO.)	600 East Park Avenue				
4. CITY/VICINITY	Port Angeles,	COUNTY	Clallam,	STATE	Washington
12. OWNER/ADMIN ADDRESS	Department of the Interior, National Park Service, Olympic National Park, 600 East Park Ave., Port Angeles, WA 98362				

8. UTM ZONE	10	EASTING	467950	NORTHING	5327775	11. REGION	PNR
SCALE	1:24	OTHER	(1:62.5)	QUAD NAME	Port Angeles		

13. DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND HISTORY (INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION DATE(S), PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS, MATERIALS, MAJOR ALTERATIONS, EXISTANT EQUIPMENT, AND IMPORTANT BUILDERS, ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, ETC.)

The Gas and Oil House is one of six buildings constructed at the park's headquarters site, soon after the 1938- establishment of Olympic National Park. All six of the original buildings on the headquarters site relied heavily on financial and labor assistance provided by President Franklin Roosevelt's New Deal PWA, WPA, and CCC Depression-era programs. The CCC was responsible for transporting native stone quarried from the local Tumwater Creek quarry, which was used as the predominant building material in the Gas and Oil House. Construction of the building presumably began in early 1940, and by mid-summer Superintendent Preston Macy reported that the building was 98 percent completed. The building has served continuously as storage for automotive supplies, since its construction.

Rectangular in shape; measures 16' x 18' with 14' x 16' canopy; 1 story; masonry wall construction; coursed stone and mortar exterior walls; wood shakes in gable end of canopy; gable roof with wood shakes, carved ridge and purlins, exposed rafters; concrete slab foundation; canopy supported by paired heavy hewn timbers; loading platform of concrete on coursed stone; double-hung sash and casement windows. Alterations: no major changes known. Siting: the center of a paved utility area; several other buildings located in the vicinity.

14. CONDITION

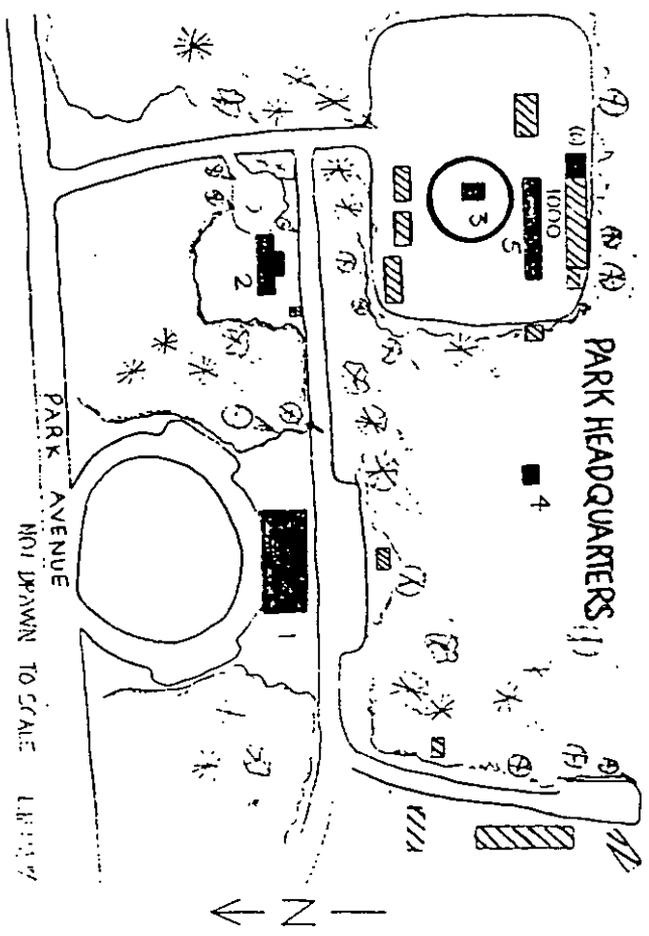
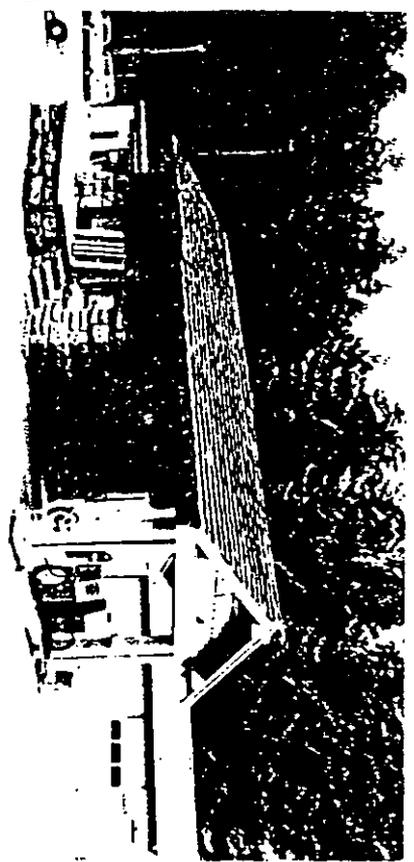
EXCELLENT GOOD FAIR DETERIORATED RUINS

15. DANGER OF DEMOLITION? (SPECIFY THREAT)

YES NO UNKNOWN

16. SIGNIFICANCE

The Gas and Oil House is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places as part of the park headquarters district. This building, as part of the administrative headquarters ensemble, is worthy of National Register listing. (See inventory card for building nos. 1-6.) The Gas and Oil House exhibits distinctive architectural features representative of Rustic Style architecture.



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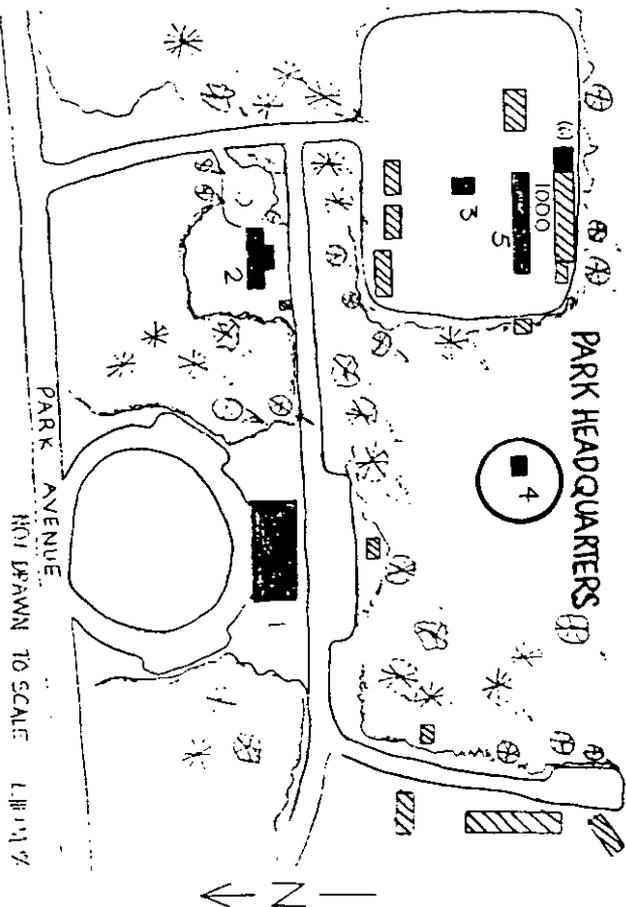
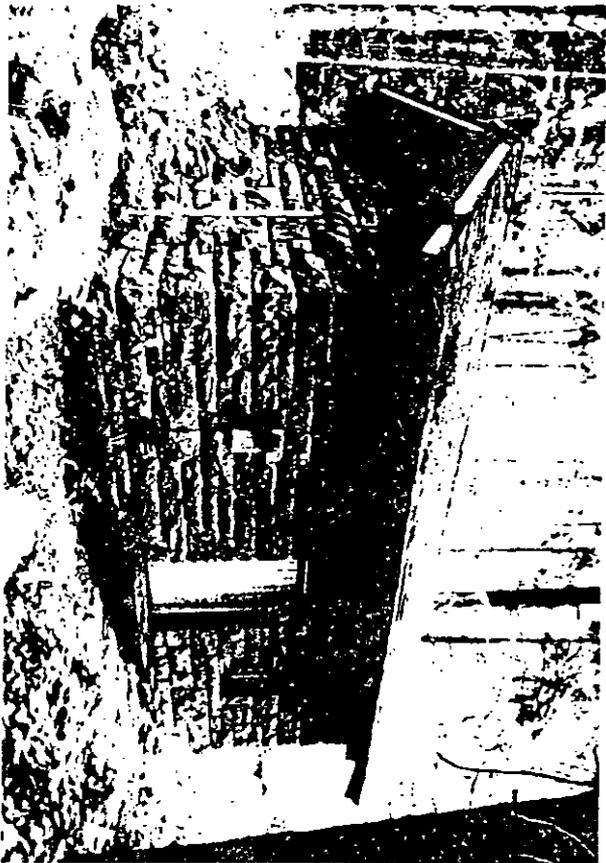
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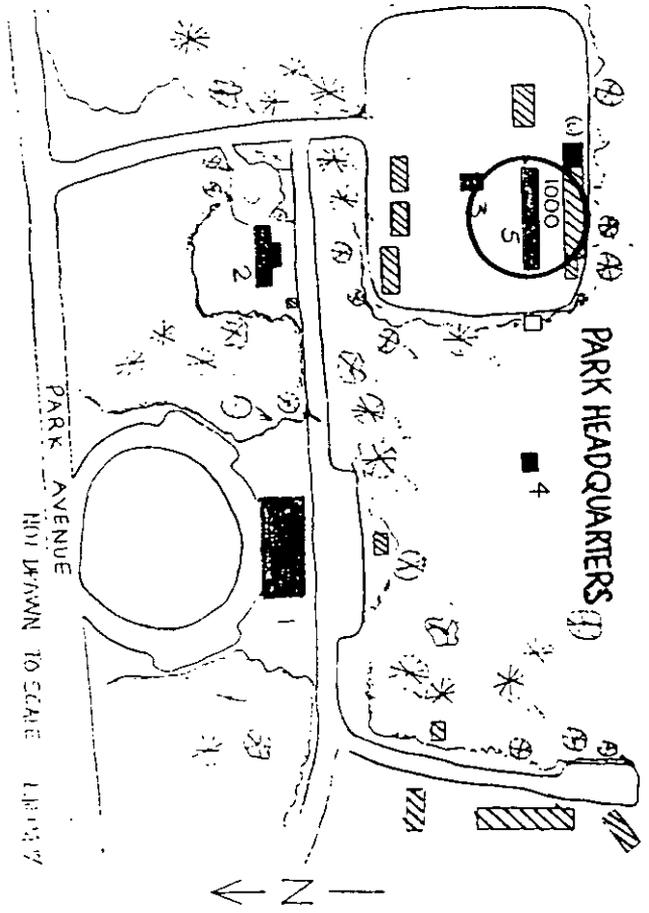
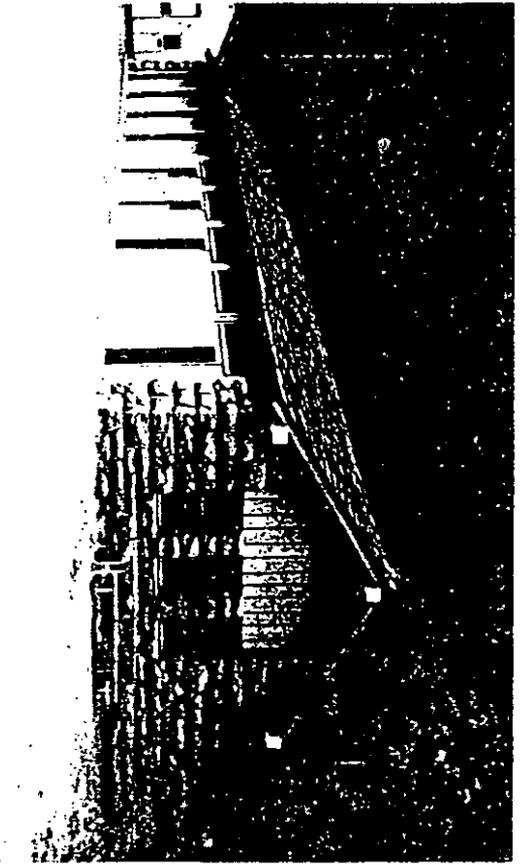
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DATE

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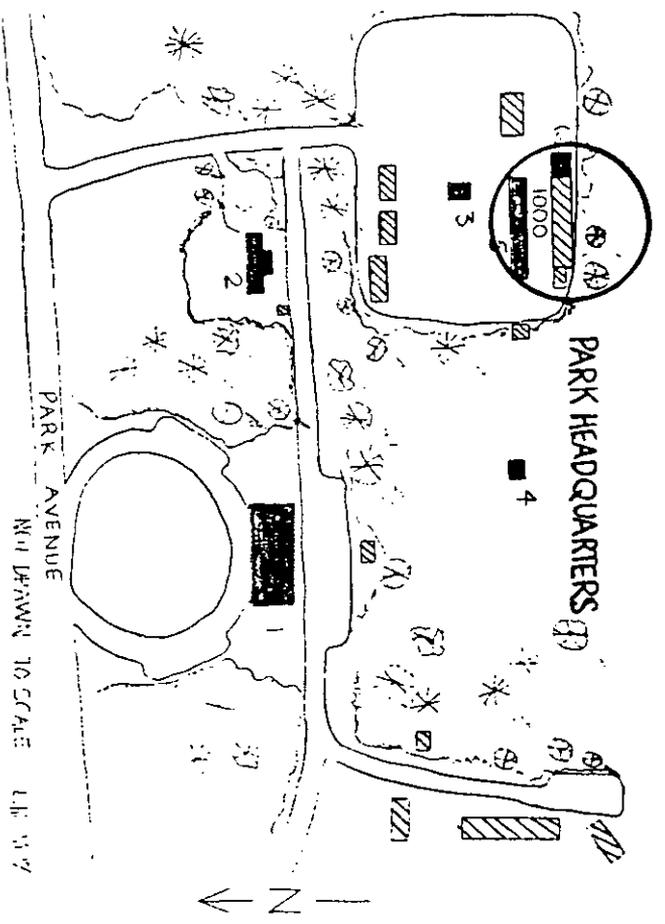
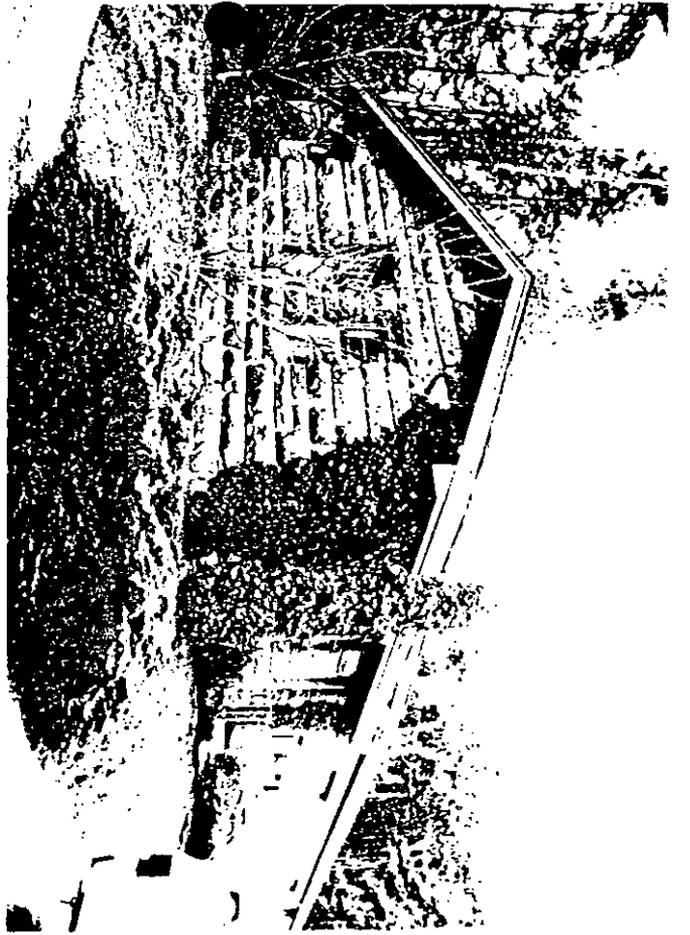
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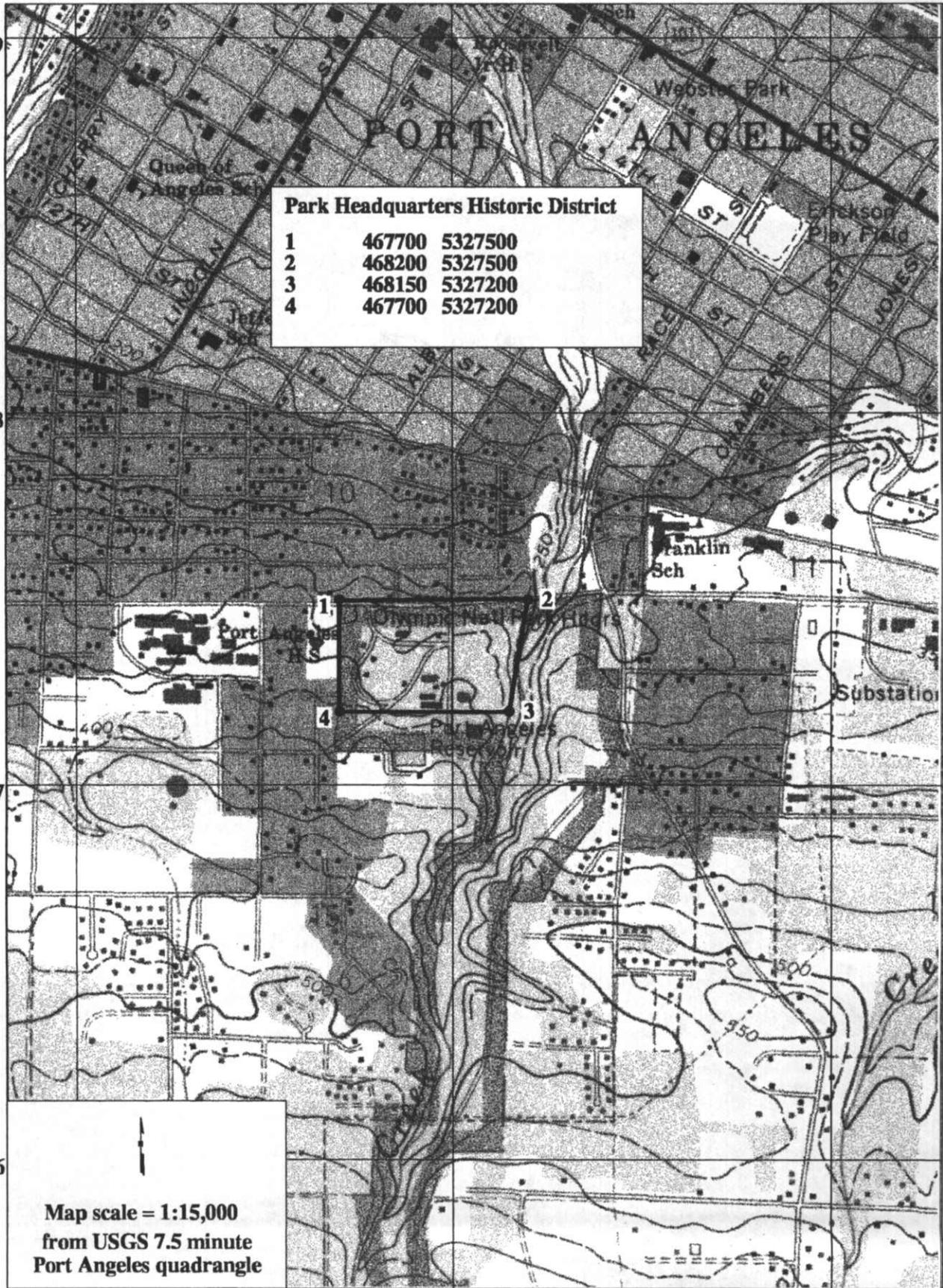
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Park Headquarters Historic District

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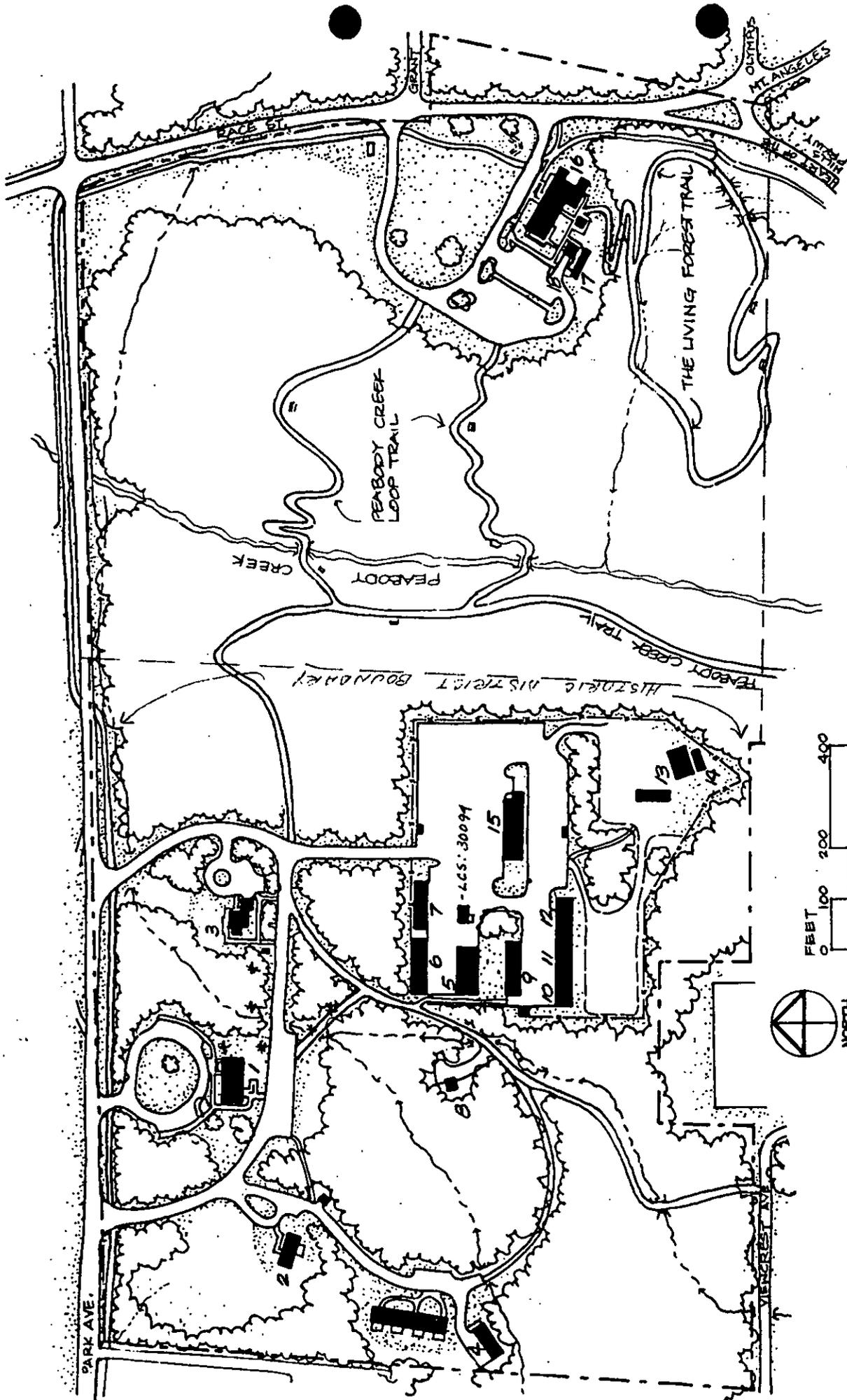
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 Port Angeles quadrangle

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- 13. Maintenance Storage Buildings
- 14. Greenhouse Operations
- 15. Auto Repair Shop
- 16. Olympic National Park Visitor Center
- 17. Wilderness Information Center
- 18. Northwest Interpretive Association Office

- 7. Cultural Resources Mgmt. - Fee Collections Mgmt. - District Ranger
- 8. VIP Tool Cache LCS: 30096
- 9. Roads Maintenance Shop - Trails Maintenance Shop : LCS: 30095
- 10. Procurement - Contracting - Property Mgmt.
- 11. Building Maintenance Shop - Sign Shop - Plumbers Shop
- 12. Maintenance Foremen Offices LCS: 30097

- cs: 09023 1. Headquarters - Management - Personnel - Administration
- 2. Investigations - Communications - Enforcement
- cs: 09024 3. Natural Resources Mgmt. - GIS
- 4. Research - Natural Resources
- 5. Emergency Operations Center - Fire Management
- 6. Electricians Shop - Telecommunications Shop

PARK HEADQUARTERS PORT ANGELES, WASHINGTON
OLYMPIC NATIONAL PARK



Description

Administration Building; Olympic National Park Headquarters Historic District
Clallam County, WA; Port Angeles
view looking North



Description

Superintendent's House; Olympic National Park Headquarters Historic District
Clallam County, WA; Port Angeles
view looking South



Description

Gas and Oil House; Olympic National Park Headquarters Historic District
Clallam County, WA; Port Angeles
view looking West



Description

Transformer Vault/ Pumphouse; Olympic National Park Headquarters Historic District
Clallam County, WA; Port Angeles
view looking West



Description

Equipment Shed/ Carpenter Shop; Olympic National Park Headquarters Historic District
Clallam County, WA; Port Angeles
view looking West



Description

Stone Light Fixtures; Olympic National Park Headquarters Historic District
Clallam County, WA; Port Angeles
view looking South

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NAME(S)

Common Olympic National Park
Historic Administration Building/
Superintendent's Residence

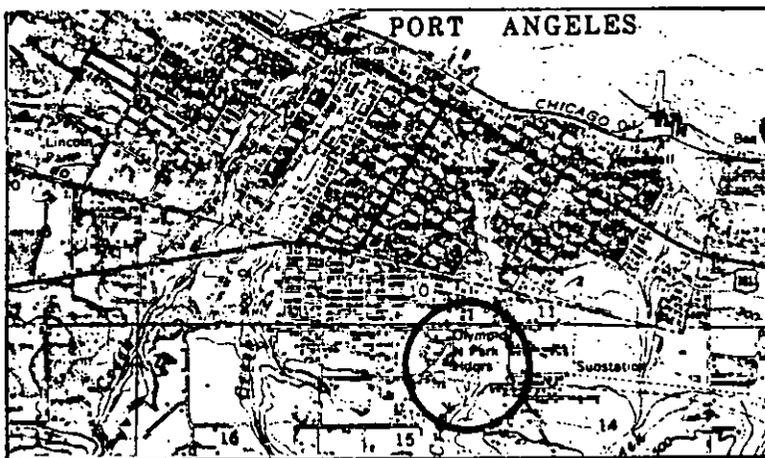
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USGS Quadrangle

Port Angeles T30N, R6W
CA CO.

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- Yes: Restricted
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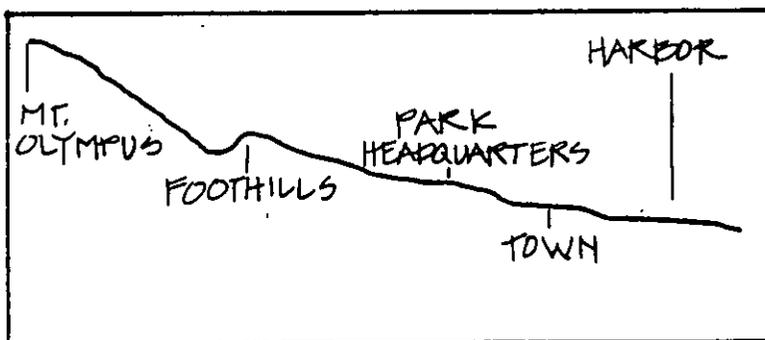


OWNERSHIP

- Public: National Park Service
- Private

STATUS

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- Endangered
- Preservation action needed

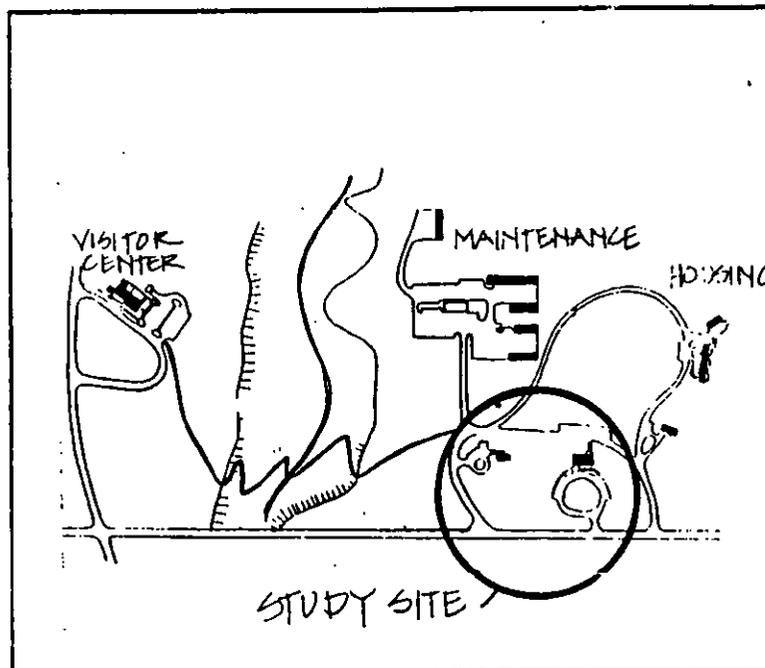


CONTEXTURAL BOUNDARIES

Physiographic The Olympic National Park Headquarters Complex is located in a clearing of second growth forest on Peabody Heights overlooking the town of Port Angeles, the Strait of Juan de Fuca and Vancouver Island. Foothills and peaks of the Olympic Mountains form the southern backdrop and visual edge of the site.

Cultural The complex is bounded on the north by East Park Avenue and one the east by Race Street which becomes Mt. Angeles Road.

Political The seventy acre headquarters complex is a self-contained park unit, non-contiguous with other Olympic National Park holdings.



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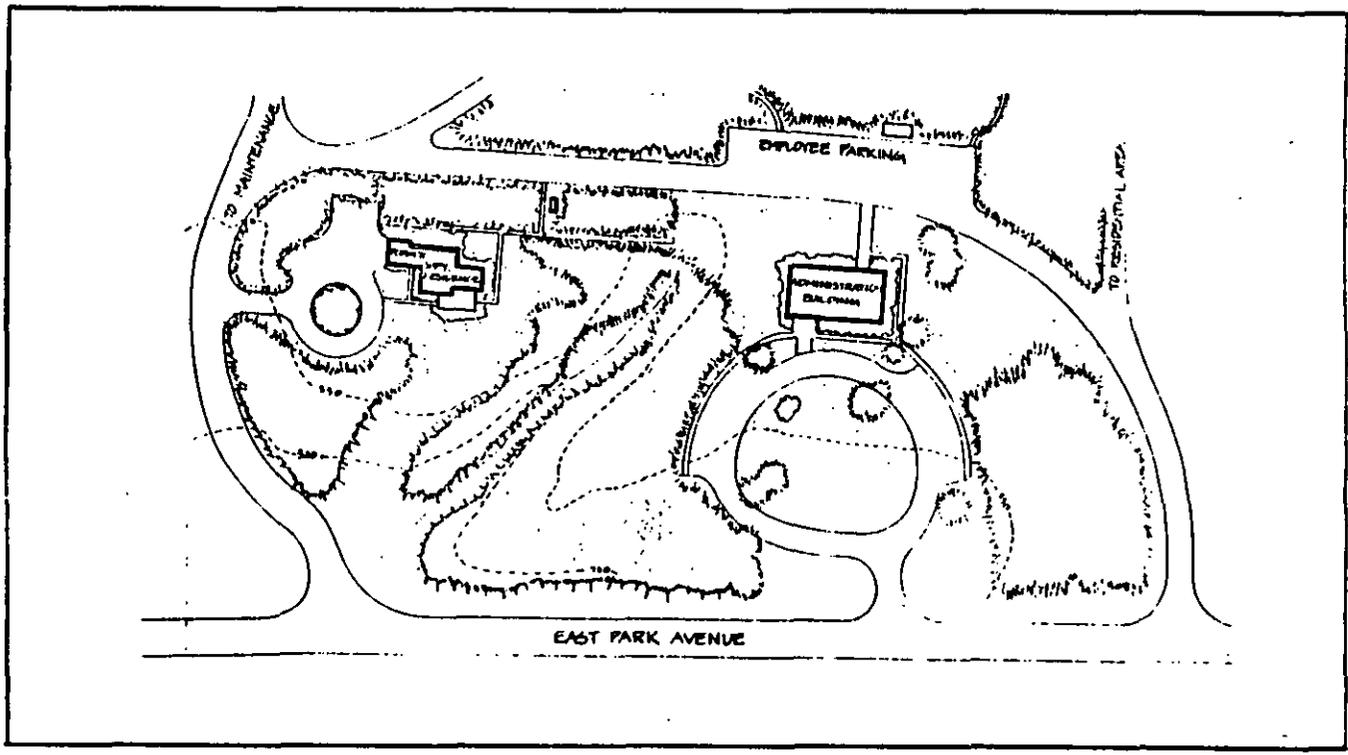
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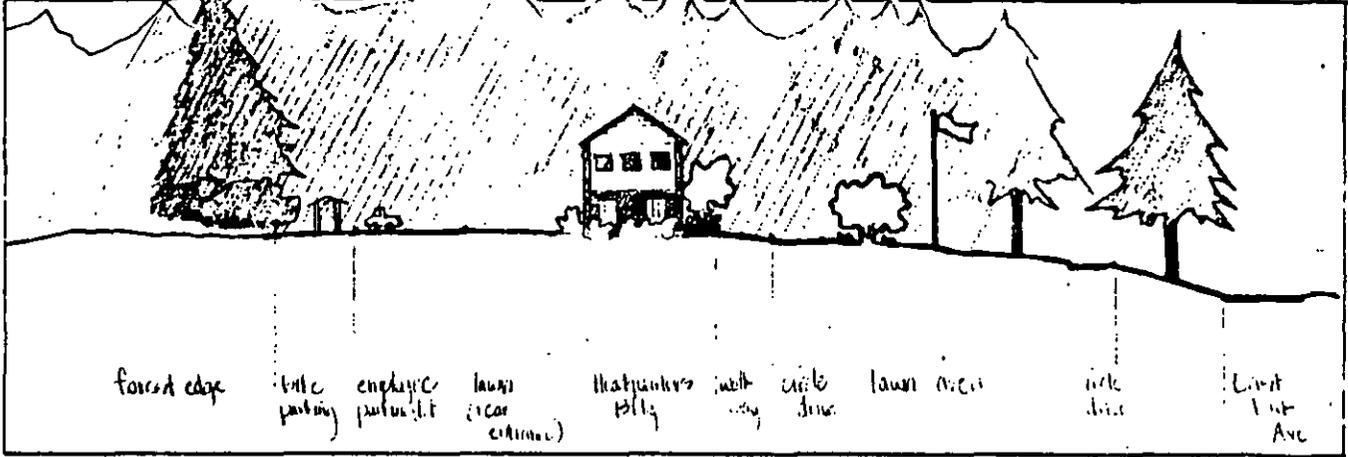
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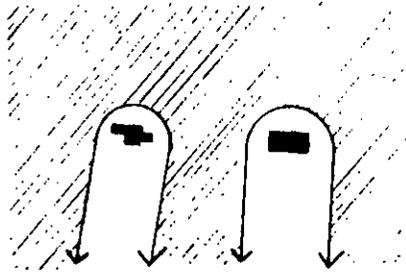


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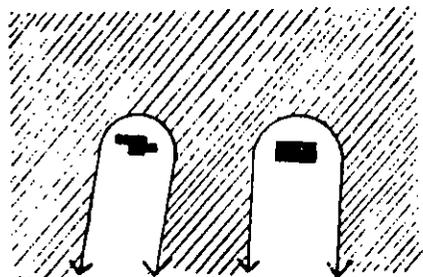
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DESCRIPTION



Vegetation - Buildings are surrounded by moderately dense stands of second growth Fir/Hemlock/Cedar forests. Openings to the north provide distant views. Introduced plantings are primarily composed of native materials (Rhododendron, Vine maple, fern) in foundation and perimeter planters.

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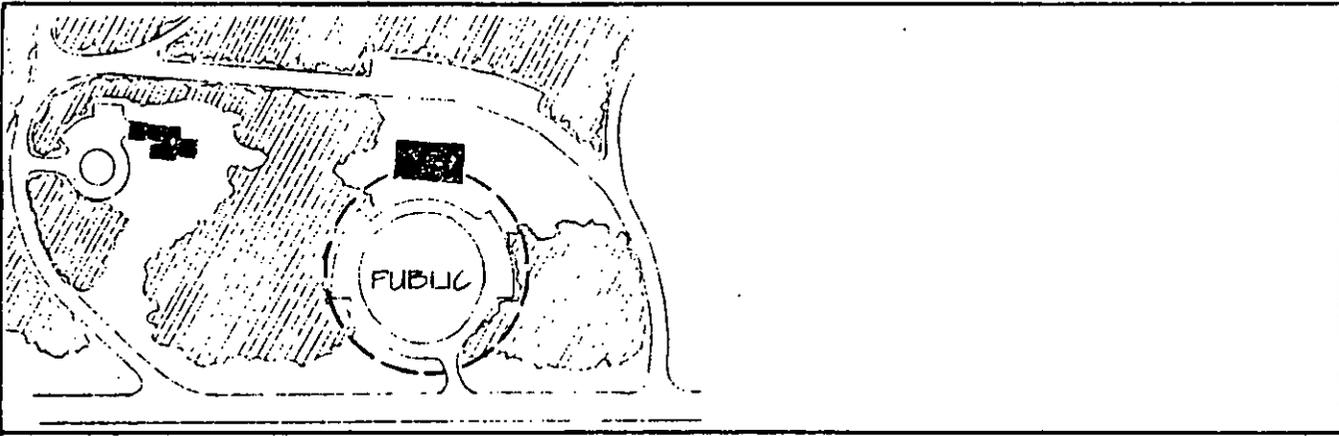
Cluster arrangement - Buildings are single, detached one and two story structures located in clearings oriented north toward open views.



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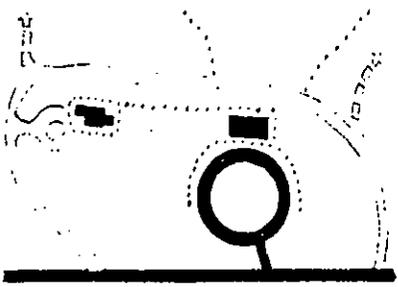
LANDSCAPE ORGANIZATION



SITE BOUNDARIES

- Topographic** Sloping terrain in front of Supt.'s residence creates visual edge
- Vegetation** Second growth forests surround clearings and frame views
- Circulation** East Park Ave. to the N and an employee access loop to the E, W and S
- Water** Circle and define the site
- Structural**
- Other**

SIGNIFICANT LANDSCAPE COMPONENTS



Circulation - Primary public access is from East Park Ave. to the north and is limited to a circular drive in front of the administration building with parking along the edge of the loop. Park employees enter off of East Park Ave. at two points and travel around periphery of the study site, with secondary roads to residences and utility areas.

Major pedestrian circulation occurs on sidewalks around the buildings with a stone walkway through the woods connecting the two buildings. Most employees enter the administration building through the rear entrance. Minor gravel paths connect the study site to other areas.

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Materials - The use of native materials is reflected in the heavy stone and timbers of the buildings, stone walkways, light fixtures and other site features. Newer sidewalks installed around the administration building are concrete.

Small scale elements - Repeated small scale elements include light bollards, stone piers, pole lights and fire hoses in small covered structures. The administration building is flanked by stone planters and has a bike shelter on the back side of the building.



Historic Views and Perceptions - Views to the north from the buildings were a significant factor in the original siting of the structures and, despite, encroachment by trees and new residences, they are still intact.



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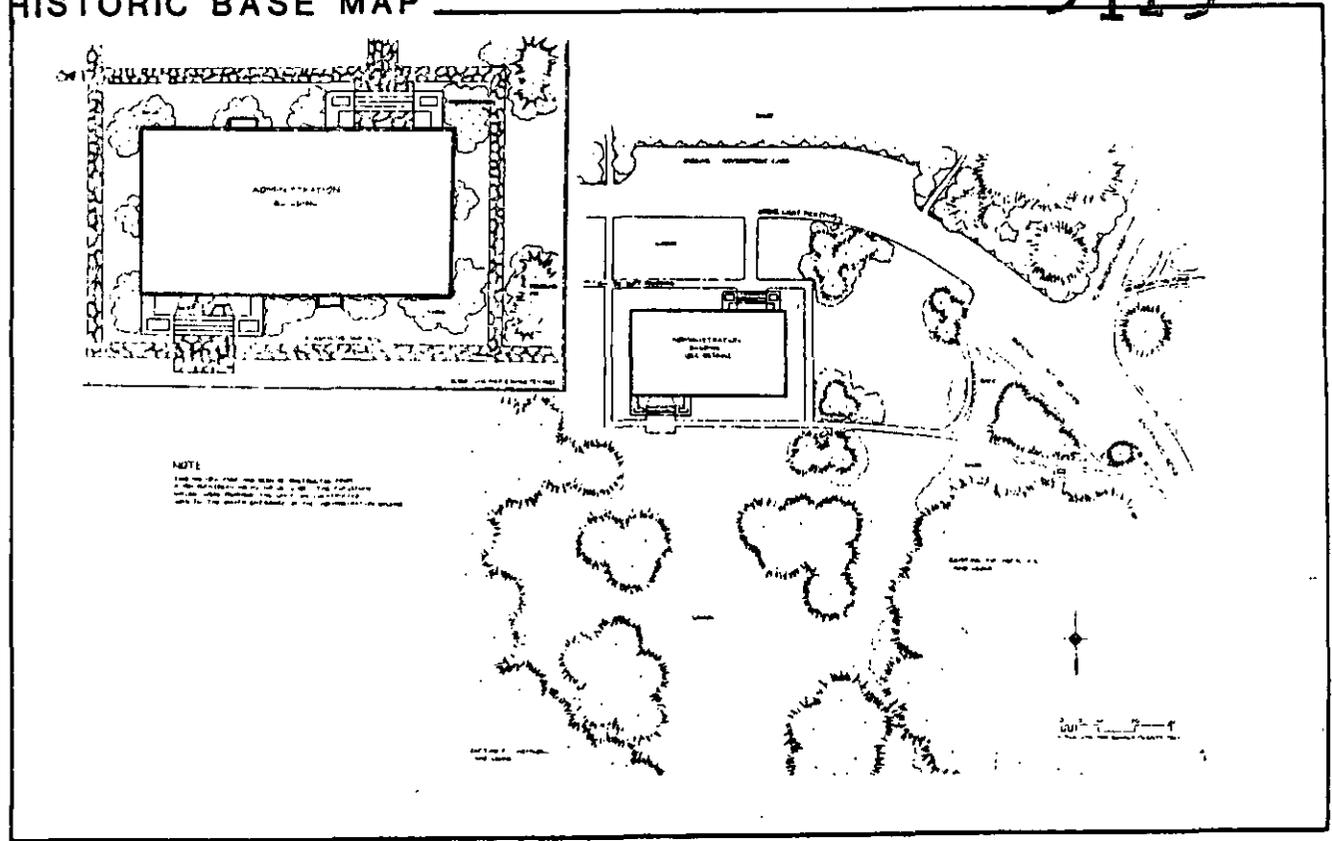
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HISTORY

HISTORIC BASE MAP

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NOTE
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 4. status of the land or the location of the buildings.



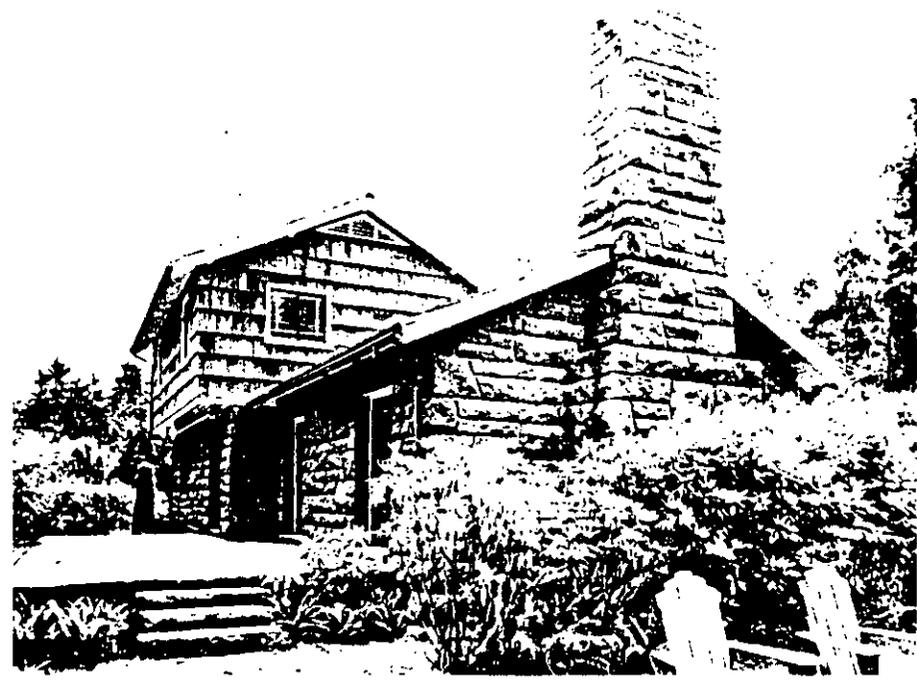
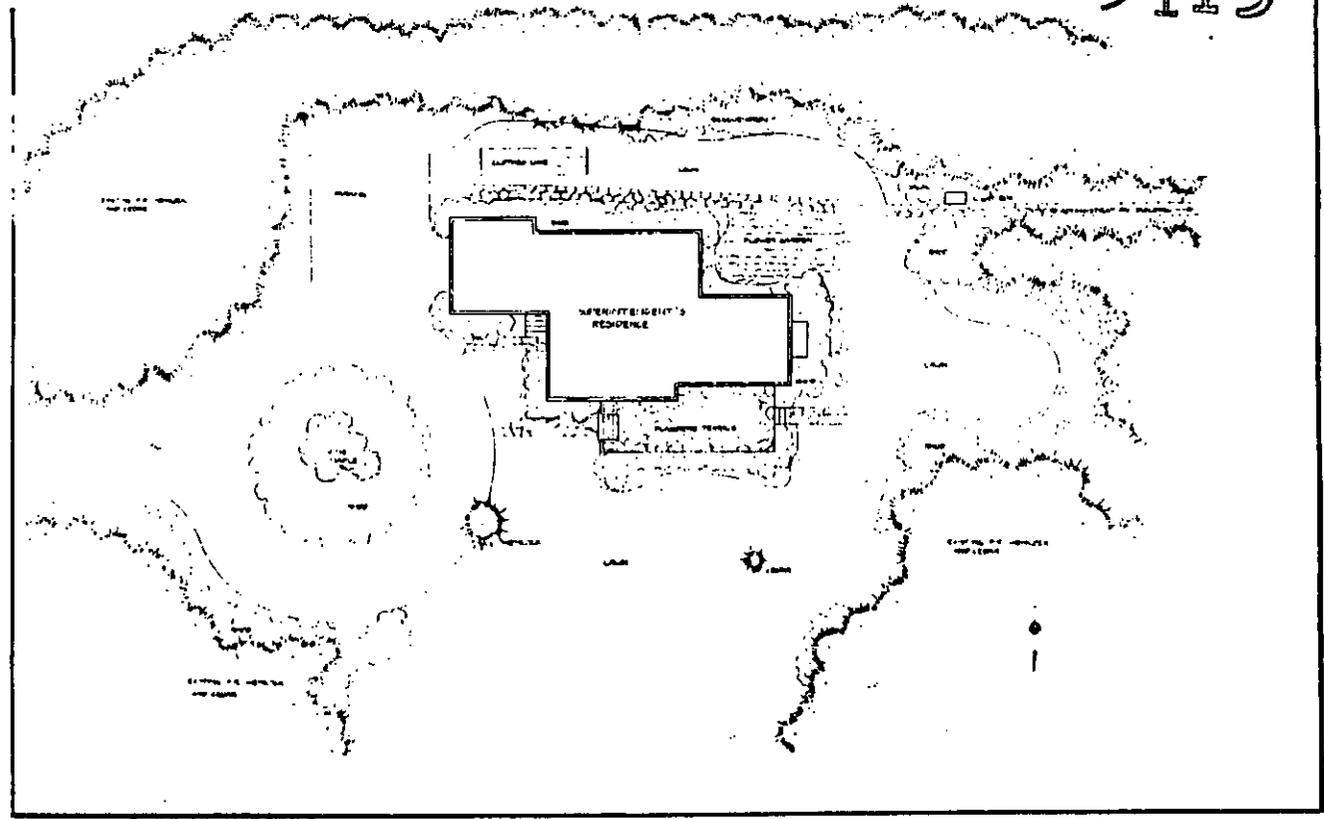
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OLD N.F. ADMIN BLDG

HISTORIC BASE MAP

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SIGNIFICANCE

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TYPE OF SIGNIFICANCE

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with group person, event
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local, regional, national
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The creation of Olympic National Park and the subsequent construction of the administration building and Superintendent's residence coincided with a period of significant national growth in both social and public arenas. Not only did President F.D. Roosevelt play a personal role in the establishment of the park itself, but the depression-era work programs advocated during his administration were instrumental in the development of the headquarters area.

The two buildings were crafted in the classic style of late period rustic park architecture. Locally quarried sandstone blocks and cut cedar shakes structured and adorned the building exteriors. Landscape materials were amalgamation of local native plants blended in scale and form with the site and structures.

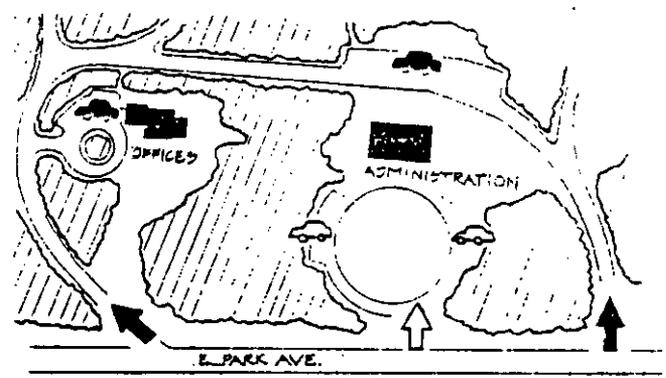
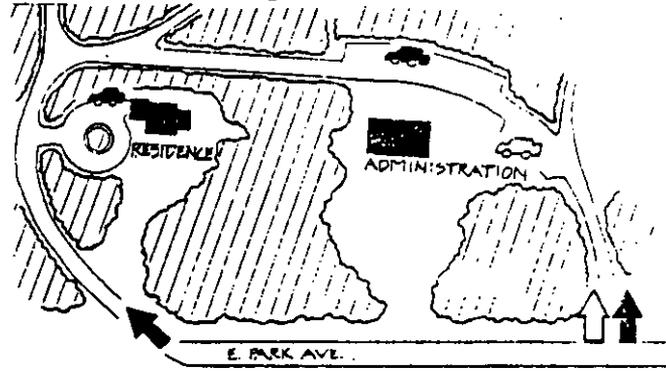
Located on Peabody Heights above Port Angeles the headquarters complex still commands a view over the town and Strait of Juan de Fuca to Vancouver Island, maintaining the integrity and grand style of the original design intent.

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SCHEMATICS



 VISITOR'S PARKING, ENTRY 1940's
 EMPLOYEE PARKING, ENTRY

1984

HISTORY TEXT

Establishment 1938-1947

Soon after the creation of Olympic National Park in 1938, \$226,000 of Public Works Administration monies were allocated for the establishment of an administrative building and custodian's (Superintendent's) residence. A year later the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) and the Works Progress Administration (WPA) began construction on a thirty-eight acre portion of Peabody Heights overlooking Port Angeles. Native materials including locally quarried stone and cut cedar shakes, along with over 2,600 collected Rhododendrons, big leaf maple, vine maple and sword ferns combined to create a period design typified by the use of native materials and rustic architectural styles. The predominant use of indigenous materials also reflected the intent that Park headquarters as a whole, represent and display the character and resources of Olympic National Park.

By October, 1940, the buildings were ready for occupancy, although neither the building interiors nor the grounds (including all the plantings, walkways and roads) were completely finished until 1947.

Site Changes 1950-present

In 1952 the Superintendent built a woodshed near his residence and in 1958 several staff residences were added southwest of the administration building. In the clearing north of the administration building the addition of a circular entry road off of East Park Avenue facilitated visitor access and parking. The old visitor park area west of the building was removed and seeded with grass.

In 1981 the Superintendent's residence was converted to offices and today house the Science and Technology Division of Olympic National Park.

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INTEGRITY

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TYPE OF INTEGRITY

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LOCATION - The administration building and Superintendent's residence are in their original locations.

DESIGN - With the exception of an additional entry and circular drive, the original design of the site is intact.

SETTING - The site remains at the crest of Peabody Heights with a view through the woods to Port Angeles and the Strait of Juan de Fuca.

MATERIALS - The two buildings, the landscape and forested grounds are still composed of the original materials.

WORKMANSHIP - The buildings and grounds reflect the workmanship and style of the late Rustic period of park architecture.

FEELING - The site retains its historic feeling and aesthetic sense. The buildings, plantings and site details continue to evoke a rustic ambience.

ASSOCIATION - The complex retains its original association as the administrative headquarters for Olympic National Park.



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